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June 14, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

60 June 14, 2016

LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT AND ADVERTISE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY UPGRADE AT SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS  
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve and advertise the Pedestrian Safety Upgrade at Signalized Intersections project throughout the County of Los Angeles, find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, adopt the plans and specifications, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve and advertise the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for the installation of pedestrian countdown signal modules at various intersections, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$750,000 and \$875,000.
3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on July 12, 2016, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.

BIDS: July 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

4. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in State Public Contract Code Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; and (2) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code Section 4104.5.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is for the Board to approve and advertise the project, adopt the plans and specifications, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing countdown pedestrian signal modules, which will enhance pedestrian safety at signalized intersections.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$750,000 to \$875,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$1,300,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, environmental clearance, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County of Los Angeles services.

This project will be administered under the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program covered by Agreement No. 76078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid grant funds in the amount of \$1,128,000 will be used to finance a portion of the project cost.

Financing for this project is included in the Supervisorial Districts' Transportation Improvement Programs in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget. See the enclosed table for funding of each Supervisorial District.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This project is part of the Department of Public Works' ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 100 working days. It is anticipated the work will start in October 2016 and be completed in March 2017.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsection (x)(4) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines previously adopted by the Board. These exemptions provide for the modification of existing traffic signal systems.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award will be made upon review of the bids. The contract will be awarded to a responsible contractor who submits the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code. The County Local Small Business Enterprise preference will not be applied to the determination of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. To be eligible for Federal funds financing a portion of this project, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations requires award to the lowest bidder.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Us" and Public Works' "Contract Opportunities" websites for upcoming bids.

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be coordinating with the Office of Small Business to maximize outreach.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing enhanced pedestrian safety at signalized intersections, which will benefit the community.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Internal Services Department (Countywide  
Contract Compliance)

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**PROJECT RDC0015965**

**JURISDICTIONAL SHARES OF THE PROJECT COST**

<b>PROJECT FUNDING</b>			
<b>SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT</b>	<b>Jurisdictional Share</b>	<b>Grant Funds</b>	<b>Local Share</b>
Supervisory District 1	\$340,000	\$295,000	\$45,000
Supervisory District 2	\$390,000	\$338,000	\$52,000
Supervisory District 3	\$20,000	\$17,000	\$3,000
Supervisory District 4	\$260,000	\$226,000	\$34,000
Supervisory District 5	\$290,000	\$252,000	\$38,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>	<b>\$1,128,000</b>	<b>\$172,000</b>